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*Sinking of a well for Adi-Dravidas in the Thandavarayapuram village.*

*1938 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Local Fund Audit department have approved of the expenditure for the sinking of a well in the compound of a missionary school, of a sum of Rs. 250, which had been sanctioned by the Salem District Board for the sinking of a well for Adi-Dravidas in the Thandavarayapuram village, Attur taluk; and

(b) what steps the Government have taken and propose to take to check such diversions of sanctioned amount by a district board?

A.—The Government have no information and have called for a report.

*Building grants to the Arogya Ashramam, Avadi.*

*1939 Q.—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Arogya Ashramam, Avadi, has applied to the Government for a grant for constructing new buildings there; and

(b) what is the amount of grant the Government propose to make for the same?

A.—(a) Yes.
(b) The Government propose to consider the application in connexion with the budget for 1930-31.

Mr. P. ANJANEYULU:—"May I know when this application from the Arogya Ashramam, Avadi, was received by the Government?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"I think it was in January or December."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN:—"Of which year?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Last December or January."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know why it was considered difficult to consider this question for this budget?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"I believe the hon. Member knows the financial rules of this province under which everything that is to be put in the budget should come in before October or so."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know when exactly the application was received?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"That has been answered."

Mr. P. ANJANEYULU:—"May I know whether the Government is aware that the Arogya Ashramam at Avadi is doing very good work for the sick and the invalid?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"It is doing work in that connexion. But whether it is very good work or not and as to how many people there are in it is a matter of opinion on which I cannot venture."